

HOUSE RESOLUTION 305

By Gresham

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Gurtis J. Leatherwood of Moscow.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Gurtis J. Leatherwood; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Leatherwood was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, a native of Fayette County, Gurtis Leatherwood served in the United States Navy before becoming a farmer in Moscow, in which capacity he earned the respect of his peers and fellow citizens for the exemplary quality of his work, his gentle mannerisms, and his unwavering kindness to others; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Leatherwood was an active and devout member of the 45 Baptist Church, which he served faithfully for many years; and

WHEREAS, Gurtis Leatherwood was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Leatherwood was preceded in death by his loving wife of seventy-one years, Juanita Tacker Leatherwood, and his parents, John Madison "Ode" Leatherwood and Mary Tommie Taylor Leatherwood; and

WHEREAS, Gurtis Leatherwood is survived by his daughters, Mary Ann Mercer and Wanda Kay Leatherwood, his sister, Laura Phelps, and his two grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Leatherwood leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor the memory of Gurtis J. Leatherwood, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Leatherwood.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.